

## Rule 719

### ADMISSION TO THE BAR WITHOUT EXAMINATION

- (a) **Eligibility.** An applicant for admission to the Kansas bar is eligible for admission without examination if the applicant meets the following requirements:
- (1) was admitted to the practice of law by examination by the highest court of another state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory;
  - (2) has an active law license from the highest court of another state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory;
  - (3) is eligible under Rule 708;
  - (4) has never received professional discipline of suspension, disbarment, or loss of license in any jurisdiction; and
  - (5) has lawfully engaged in the active practice of law for five of the seven years immediately preceding the date of the application.
- (b) **Active Practice of Law.** For purposes of this rule, the active practice of law includes the following activities:
- (1) representing a client in the practice of law;
  - (2) serving as corporate counsel or as an attorney with a local, state, or federal government body;
  - (3) teaching at a law school approved by the American Bar Association; and
  - (4) serving as a judge or judicial law clerk in a federal, state, or local court, provided that the position required a license to practice law.
- (c) **Required Documents and Fee.** An applicant under this rule must submit the following:
- (1) an application submitted and accepted through the Attorney Admissions office's online portal;
  - (2) any other information the admissions attorney, the Attorney Admissions Review Committee, or the Board of Law Examiners requests for use in considering the application; and
  - (3) the fee under Rule 707(a)(6).
- (d) **Application Review Process.** The following rules apply in the application review process:
- (1) Rule 723 and Rule 725 apply to the character and fitness investigation and any hearing;
  - (2) Rule 724 applies following an adverse Board ruling; and
  - (3) Rule 726 applies if the Board approves an application.

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